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Applicant

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DNA SEQUENCES, RECOMBINANT DNA MOLECULES AND PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING

HUMAN FIBROBLAST INTERFERON-LIKE

**POLYPEPTIDES** 

New York, New York July 16, 1996

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

sir:

This is in response to the January 16, 1996 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicant has filed concurrently herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time, together with a check for \$450.00, to cover the extension fee (35 U.S.C. §§ 1.136(a), 1.17(c)). With the extension, this response is due July 16, 1996.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel, without prejudice, claim 32.

## Kindly amend claim 31 as follows:

31. (Amended) A method for treating human cancers or tumors comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising:

a polypeptide [substantially free of other proteins with which it is normally associated produced by a